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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

CHINA.

Chaochowfu—Plague.

Consul Williams at Swatow reports March 16 the presence of plague at Chaochowfu, the principal city in the Swatow consular district.

Hongkong—Plague—Smallpox—Plague-infected Rats.

Surg. Brown reports: During the week ended March 9, 1912, 12 cases of plague with 12 deaths and 55 cases of smallpox with 43 deaths were reported in Hongkong.

During the same period 1,903 rats were examined for plague infection. Two plague-infected rats were found.

HAWAII.

Record of Plague Infection.

The last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.

A case of human plague was reported at Kapulena, Hawaii, October 28, 1911.

At Hilo the last case of human plague occurred March 23, 1910. At Honokaa, 60 miles from Hilo, a fatal case occurred April 20, 1911; a fatal case February 9, 1912; and 2 fatal cases February 25, 1912.

The last plague-infected rats reported found at Honokaa were 49, found during the week ended March 2, 1912. At Hilo a plague-infected rat was found during the week ended June 10, 1911, and 2 plague-infected rats were reported found February 29, 1912.

Honolulu—Plague-prevention Work.

Chief Quarantine Officer Trotter reports:

Week ended Mar. 30, 1912.

Total rats and mongoose taken.....	450
Rats trapped.....	441
Mongoose trapped.....	9
Rats examined bacteriologically.....	398
Classification of rats trapped:	
<i>Mus alexandrianus</i>	42
<i>Mus musculus</i>	85
<i>Mus norvegicus</i>	21
<i>Mus rattus</i>	293
Average number of traps set daily.....	1,720